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Agents Elect H. S. Sloat New President

For the first time since its organization, a Lancaster County agent has been elected president of the Pennsylvania County Agents Association He is Harry S. Sloat, associate county agent.

Secretary-treasurer of the association last year, he was elected Tuesday night at the agents' annual banquet in University Park.

At a separate meeting, Miss Ruth K. Kimble, county home economist, was re-elected secretary of the Pennsylvania Association of Extension Home Economists.

Miss Kimble has headed the home economics program here since May, 1955, coming to Lancaster County from Mercer County. She is also director of the district Homemakers' Camp at Camp Swatara, Bethel

Other officers elected by the county agents are: Vice president, Harold Waha, Mercer County, secretary treasurer, James McKean, Wayne County, and directors, James Bochy, Somerset County; and Paul Rothrock, Lycoming County.

Mr. Sloat has been a full time county agent here for 29 years. He came to Lancaster County in 1922 to study farm management and accounting under Earl L. Moffitt, rofessor of farm management.

He was appointed assistant county agent in 1927, and became the state's first associate county agent in January, 1949,

Others representing Lancaster County at the meeting are: County Agent Max Smith, Assistant Agent Victor Plastow, and Assistant Home Economist Miss Nancy E. Bowen, Approximately 90 members attended the home economist meeting and some 149 county agents attended their annual meeting.

LanChester Chorus Progam on Sunday

Christmas music with choral and organ arrangements will be featured in the annual Christmas concert of the LanChester Chorus at 3 p m. Sunday in the Christiana Fire Co. auditorium.

Tonight the choir, directed by Donald L. Trostle with Dick Wright, manager and accompanist, will sing at the Honey Brook Methodist Church, in a religious program starting at 7:30.

Choirs Combine in Christmas Cantata

Choirs of the Chestnut Level Presbyterian Church and Memorial Methodist, Quarryville, will join in a Sunday evening Christmas cantata at Chestnut Level Church, starting at 8 p.m.

"The Music of Bethlehem" was presented Sunday night a week ago at the Quarryville church, attended by a capacity audience.

Merry Christmas

May the joy and peace of Christmas
Be with you today and throughout 1957.
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World's Farm Production at Record Levels

WASHINGTON — (USDA) — A rise in output of both crops and livestock products to record levels in 1956-57 is enabling world agricultural production to keep pace with expanding population.

The U. S Department of Agriculture reported today that world production of crops and livestock rose to a new high level — 120 per cent of prewar (1935-39) — in 1956-57. The level was 118 per cent in 1955-56, and 116 in 1954-55. The corresponding percentages for the Free World alone for those seasons were, respectively, 126, 125 and 122. On a per capita basis, taking into consideration rising world population production in 1956-57 is holding steady at 97 per cent of prewar for the third consecutive year. Free World per capita production is 100 per cent of prewar, and the Communist area output is 91 per cent.

Though the Free World outturn outstripped that of the Communist Bloc, the latter rose two per cent from the level maintained in the two preceding seasons. A sharp increase in the U. S. S. R. and a moderate rise in Mainland China more than offset further production declines in the Eastern European satelites. Free World production was slightly below

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Henning to Speak At Annual Meeting Of Farm Women

HARRISBURG — State Secretary of Agriculture William L. Henning will address the annual Farm Show meeting of the Society of Farm Women of Pennsylvania in the forum of the Education Building here Monday morning, Jan. 14, the first day of the 40th anniversary Pennsylvania Farm Show.

Society members will attend their annual banquet that evening and conclude their annual conclave with a business meeting the next morning in the Farm Show Building.

Mrs. Charles Shriver, Waynesburg, is president of the farm women's organization and Mrs. Edward Boyd, Stoystown, is secretary.

Filler Tobacco Estimate Raised 1 Million Pounds

An estimated record yield of 1,700 lbs. an acre and increased crop acreage has caused the U.S. Department of Agriculture to up its 1956 estimate on the filler crop in Pennsylvania by nearly one million pounds.

The acreage figure is now placed at 30,000 acres, an increase of 1,100 acres over 1955. The total crop yield is estimated to be 51 million lbs. This will be second only to the 1951 crop when 55,700,000 lbs. of filler was produced in Pennsylvania.

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Laying Tests Improved by New Program

HARRISBURG — In line with desires of Pennsylvania poultrymen, the 25-year-old Standard Egg Laying Test operated by the State Department of Agriculture, is to be replaced next September 3 by a new and imprvoed type of test for determining the egg-laying and many other characteristics of different varieties of chickens.

Agriculture Secretary William L. Henning today said the new venture is to be known as "The First Annual Pennsylvania Random Sample Laying Test." It will be supervised by the poultry and egg divisin of the State Bureau of Markets.

"The purpose of the test," Secretary Henning explained, "is to measure, in an unbiased manner, those economic factors that would be of interest to the poultry industry. From results obtained, breeders who enter the test will be able to compare their strain or cross genetically with those of their competitors. Commercial poultrymen will be able to evaluate the different entries with respect to the economic factors that are most important to them.

The present standard egg laying test will close its 26th year next September 15 when the poultry houses near the Farm Show building will be renovated to accommodate the new type of test. The Pennsylvania test is one of eight operating in the United States. It currently contains the highest ranking pen in all tests, an entry of Rhode Island Reds from Harco Orchard and Poultry Farm, South Easton, Mass.

Under the new set-up, test-

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Exhibit Space In Farm Show Rents Quickly

HARRISBURG — Approximately 100 applicants had to be refused commercial exhibit space for the 1957 Pennsylvania Farm Show due to lack of room, according to State Secretary of Agriculture William L Henning.

Allocation of more than four acres of space was completed today for the 40th anniversary Farm Show which opens Monday morning, January 14 and continues until 6 p m, Friday, January 18.

All available space went on a rental basis to more than 300 commercial exhibitors in the 4-acre main exhibition hall with an overflow into the poultry section.

At least a score of applicants who could not be accommodated have been on the waiting list for three years or more, the chairman of the State Farm Show Commission declared.

"This condition emphasizes the need for more exhibit space for the Farm Show, which has remained static since opening of the large arena 17 years ago," Henning asserted.

"While the General State Authority has allocated $2 million for a new heating plant, new roof for the large arena, and replacement of some utility lines, there will not be enough to complete a proposed 3-story addition with exhibit space on the ground floor After deducting architect's fees, interest and other charges we expect to net about $1,500,000 for improvements This compares with the Farm Show Commission's original request of $2,750,000."

More than 100 heads of sheep and swine and large numbers of poultry were turned away due to pen limitations in those departments of the Farm Show, according to the chairman. Re-arrangement of stall areas will care for record entries in beef and dairy cattle displays, assuring the largest livestock exhibits in Farm Show history, he said.

Due to the great interest shown by farmers in the latest developments in farm machines, approximately half of the main exhibition floor will be filled with full line displays of the latest models of all types of equipment. Other areas in the hall will display dairy and other types of barn apparatus, poultry equipment, seeds, feeds, fertilizers, pesticides, nursery and various modern farm and farm home supplies and appliances.

Bridge Hearing at Harrisburg Dec. 26

A public hearing to determine the economic effect of construction of the South Bridge, spanning the Susquehanna River and connecting Lemoyne and Harrisburg, will be held by the Department of Highways at 2 p m., Dec 26.

The South Bridge project, which has been on the drawing boards in the Department of Highways the past 10 or 15 years. will be in the vicinity of Third and Lowther Streets in Lemoyne and extend to the River steps in Harrisburg.

Lancaster Livestock: Market Slow; Prices Tend Steady to Lower in Week

By DAVID S. LORENSON
USDA MARKET NEWS SERVICE
WEDNESDAY TO WEDNESDAY REVIEW

LANCASTER, Dec. 20 — (Wednesday to Wednesday review) (USDA) — CATTLE 2,247, week ago 2,347. Compared with Wednesday slaughter steers slow, 50-75 cents lower, some sales $1.00 off. Heifers in small supply steady to weak. Cows fully 25 cents higher. Bulls fully steady. Stockers and feeders mostly steady. Supplies for the week comprised about 27 loads slaughter steers, 36 loads stockers and feeders. Cows made up around 12 per cent of the total and heifer and bull offerings were moderate. Slaughter steers graded mostly good to average choice. Bulk choice fed steers $21.50-22.50, a few lots 1100-1240 lb average choice steers to 23-00. Most good and low choice $18.50-21 00 with standard down to 517.00. A few small lots standard good heifers $15.00-19.00 Utility and commercial cows $11-25-13.00, canners and cutters $8.50-12.00 Utility and commercial bulls $14.50 17.00, good fed bulls 1000 lbs and under to $20.50 Cutter grade bulls $12.50-14.00. Bulk medium and good stock steers 750 lbs and lighter $15.00-17.50, common stockers $12.00-14.50. Several loads and lots medium and good 800-1000 feeding steers $16.00-18.00, a few lots and loads 850-1073 lbs partly fattened good grade steers $19.-00-19.50, a few choice 820-lb feeders to $20.00. Scattered sales good and choice stock steer calves 450 525 lbs. $18.00-20.00.

CALVES: 968, week ago 811. Veal calves around $1.00 lower than last Wednesday with most decline on utility to good grades. Bulk good and choice vealers $21.50-27.50, high choice and prime $28.00-33.00, individual head to $35.00. Utility and standard grades mostly $14.00-20.50, culls down to $12.00.

HOGS 1791, 1642. Demand for hogs narrowed after Monday, barrows and gilts around 50 cents lower than last Wednesday, sows fully steady. Bulk barrows and gilts U. S. mixed 1-3 180-250 lbs in Wednesday's trade $18.00-18.50, a few mostly No. 1. to $19.00. In Monday's trade small lots No. 1 sold up to 19.50, a few touched $20.00. Weights 250-270 lbs $17.50-18.00 and some around 160 lbs down to $17.50. Sows all weights U. S. mixed 1-3, 13.00-15.50, a few light sows to $16.00.

SHEEP: 229, week ago 411. Small supply slaughter lambs, quality very plain. Slaughter lambs mostly steady. Bulk good and choice wooled lambs 70-95 lbs $18.00-21.00, a few high choice to $22.00. Utility and low good $13.00-17.50 with culls as low as $8.00.

TURKEYS

PHILADELPHIA Dec 19 — (USDA) Frozen, Ready-To-Cook unsettled. Offerings were in excess of the relatively lighter demand for most sizes Hens and Toms. Ice packed fresh New York dressed Hens were in buyer preference in some quarters.

Large retail outlets advertised as follows on Ready-To-Cook Turkeys, Beltsville Young Hens 4-10 lb 48-49 cents. Young Hens 10-16 lb 46-49 cents, Turkeys 19 lb and over 43-47 cents.

Wholesale selling prices: Grade A and U. S. grade A quality.

Fryer-Roasters 4-8 lb 45½-46½, Young Hens 8-10 lb 43½-44, 10-14 lb 43½-44, 14-16 lb 44½-45½, Young Toms 16-20 lb 43½-45, 20-22 lb 43½-45, 22-26 lb 44-46, 26-28 lb 46-47, 28 lb up 48-49½.

Lancaster Broilers Lower Thursday By Fractions; Annual Meet Jan. 24

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown, Pa.) (Sales Report, Sale 192, Thursday, Dec. 13, 1956) — Averaging .22 of a cent below the average for the corresponding week a year ago, and declining fractionally from the previous Thursday's sale, 18 lots of a total 74,025 broilers sold Dec. 13 at an average of 18.88 cents in a range of 18½ to 20½ cents Total offerings included 29 lots, 97,025 birds, offered were 28 lots totaling 90,025 and sold were 22 lots, 78,625. Two lots, 2500 Leghorns, sold at 13 cents, one lot of 500 capettes at 26, and one lot of 1600 capettes at 19 cents.

For the corresponding sales year ago, Dec. 13 and 15, 1955, offered were 30 lots, 50,955 birds, sold were 21 lots, 39,425, in a range of 17¾ to 19¾ cents, averaging 19.4 cents on that Tuesday, 19.1 cents on Thursday.

Announcement was made of the third annual meeting of the Lancaster Poultry Exchange members Thursday evening, Jan. 24, in the New Poultry Center at 340 Rosevrlle Road, Lancaster.

Here are Thursday, Dec. 13, 1956 sales, listed by lot number (each preceded by 13-), seller, with grower shown in parentheses, amount and breed, age by weeks and days, buyer and price.

1, Robert H. Barr, 5000 White Vantress, 9-2, to Roy E Ream, 18½¢; 2, Miller & Bushong (Joseph Olesh), 2000 Red Vantress, 9 wks, to Walter C. Mellinger, 20½¢, 3, Miller & Bushong (Lloyd Ream), 4500 White Vantress, 10-2, to Roy E. Ream, 19¼¢, 4, Wenger's Mill (Paris Ober), 1000 Leghorn fowl yearlings, to Walter C Mellinger, 13¢, 5, William A Bitting, 450 Silver Cross cockerel capettes, 13-6, no sale, 18¢ bid;

6, William A. Bitting, 750 Silver Cross capettes, 13-6, no sale, 20¼¢ bid, 7. Norman M Herr, 700 White Vantress, capettes, 12-2, no sale, 22¼¢ bid; Paul Rowe, 500 White Vantress cockerel capettes, 15-2, to Daniel K. Good, 26¢; 9, Marlin Longenecker, 500 Indian Rivers, 10-2, to Roy E. Ream, 19¢; 10, Titus Hoover, 650 Red Vantress, 11-6, to Roy E. Ream, 18½¢;

11, Benjamin F. Lapp, 375 Red Vantress, 11-5, to John N. Thomas, 20¼¢; 12, John L. Landis, 5000 White Vantress, 9-6, to S. E. Davis, 18½¢; 13, John L Landis, 5000 White Cross, 9-1, to Mandata Poultry, 18½¢; 14, Fruitville Farms (Abram Shenk), 5000 White Vantress, 9-6, to C. F. Manbeck, Inc., 19¢; 15, Fruitville Farms (Abram Shenk), 5000 Indian Rivers, 9-6, to Victor F. Weaver, 19¢;

16, Charles D. Warfel, 5000 Indian Rivers, 10-2, to College Hill Poultry, Inc., 18¾¢; 17, Charles D. Warfel, 5000 Indian Rivers, 9-6, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., 18¾¢; 18, Charles D. Warfel, 5000 Indian Rivers, 9-6, to College Hill Poultry, 18¾¢; 19, Roy Heckenluber, 1500 Leghorn fowl yearlings, 10 months, to Walter C. Mellinger, 13¢; 20, Indian River Poultry Farms (John Geil), 2400 Indian Rivers, pullets, 10-2, to Grimes & Hauer, 18½¢;

21, Indian River Poultry Farms (John Geil), 2600 Indian River pullets, 10-2, to Victor F. Weaver, 18½¢; 22, Henry Longenecker, 1600 White Vantress capettes, 13 wks, to Linn Poultry, 19¢; 23, Miller & Bushong (John L. Herr), 1000 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Linn Poultry, 19¾¢; 24, Gleason Richie, 4500 White Vantress, 9 wks, no sale, 18½¢ bid; 25, Gleason Richie, 4500 Indian Rivers, 9 wks, no sale, 18¾¢ bid;

26, Irvin Yoder, 15000 White Mountains, 10-2, to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms, 19¢; 27, Paul W. Martin, 5000 White Vantress, 9 wks, to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms, 19¢; 28, Paul W. Martin, 5000 White Vantress, 9 wks, withdrawn prior to sale; 29, Roy Heckenluber, 2500 White turkeys withdrawn prior to sale; 29A, Roy Heckenluber, 500 White turkeys, no sale. 26¢ bid.

Egg Prices Lower; $.44 Market Top

PHILADELPHIA Dec. 19 — (USDA) Unsettled. Prices moved lower on most grades. More than adequate supplies were available for the current fair demand.

Wholesale selling prices: minimum 10 per cent AA quality Large 45-48 lb White 42-44, Brown 38-39, Medium White 31-32, Brown 30-31.

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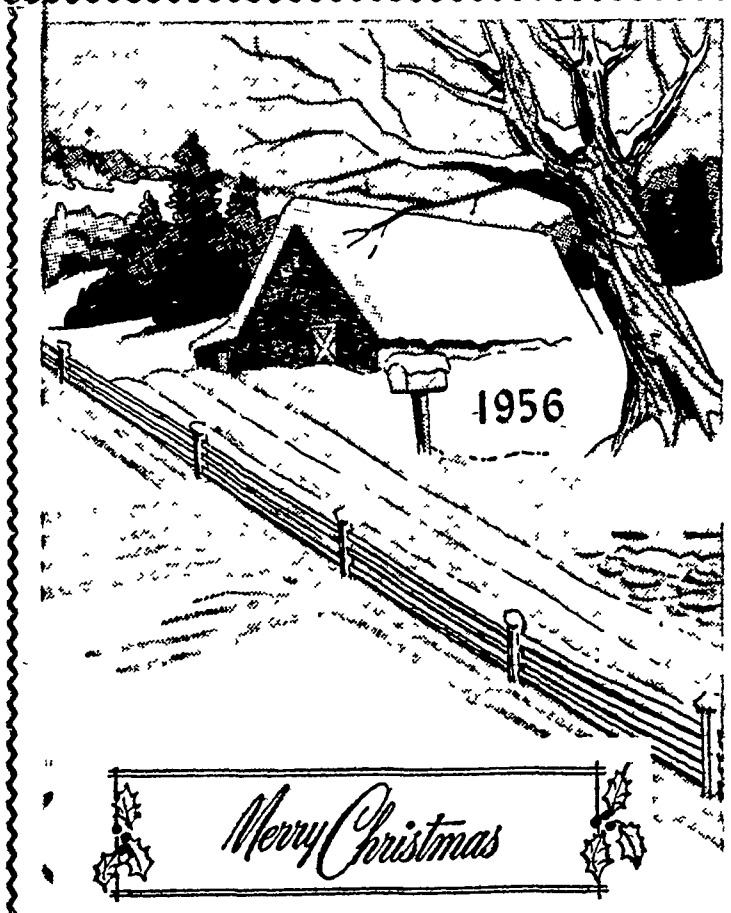

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12 Farmers Complete Welding Clinic

A class of 12 farmers finished a four lesson course in arc welding, power servicing and soldering offered by the Lincoln Electric Co. Tuesday night.

The class was taught by Gordon T. Collier, representative of the company, and Ted Kauffman. They taught fundamental metalwork and held a welding clinic.

Another class, limited to 12 students, will be started the middle of January. Interested students may contact Paul Hiestand, Marietta, for enrollment.

Caneel Bay, St. John, V. I.

SPARKLING BLUE WATERS of Caneel Bay on St. John, smallest and least populated of the U. S. Virgin Islands, offer ample opportunities for underwater spearfishing and swimming. Equipped with underwater face masks and snorkel tubes, the swimmer can explore marine life on the bay's bottom or pursue numerous fish. St. John is easily reached by boat from St. Thomas, largest of the U. S. Virgin Islands. (Pan American World Airways Photo).

World Bank lends $74,628,000 to Italian project.

Live Poultry Market Unsettled; Demand Off

PHILADELPHIA Dec. 19 — (USDA) Unsettled. Supplies of all classes were in excess of the fair demand. Large White Rock pullets few lots 30-31 cents. Large White Rock and Vantress White Caponettes sold as to size and quality 26-30 few lots 32 cents White Rock and Silver crosses medium and small sizes 22-25 cents without clearing. Few lots 7-9 lb Capons 42-43 cents other fryers crosses 20 cents Reds 21-22 cents. Turkeys unsettled. Demand good for fancy quality and only fair quality More than adequate supplies were available. Fancy quality Bronze and White Holland Young hens 37-38 cents ordinary quality 35-36 cents Young Toms 27-30 cents few lots higher.

Total receipts Dec. 18, 119,000 lbs including Delaware 6000 lbs Maryland 8000 lbs Virginia 5000 lbs.

Wholesale selling prices No 1 and fancy quality. Broilers or fryer heavy type 3-4 lb 20 24 Pullets 4½ lb and over 30-31. Hens heavy type 16-22 light type 10-15 Old Roosters 10-11. Ducks Muscovy 20-26 Pekins 32 Turkeys Young Hens 35-38 Young Toms 27-30

Processed Poultry Market Unsettled

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 19 — (USDA) Processed poultry, Ready-To-Cook (Ice Packed) Young Chickens — Unsettled. More than ample supplies were available for the fair demand.

Prices paid delivered warehouse, Philadelphia (cents per lb.)

Grade A & U. S. Grade A, 2 3 lb 29-31, mostly 29½-30.

Hens Ready-To-Cook (Ice Packed) unsettled. Demand fair. Supplies were more than adequate for immediate needs.

Prices paid delivered warehouse, Philadelphia (cents per lb.)

Filler Tebacco Estimate Raised

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Prices dropped sharply in 1951, and the acreage was voluntarily slashed by producers the next season However, the acreage has been rising slowly since that time.

Ideal growing weather this year has produced a large and weighty crop further raising the yield figures.

It is estimated that 70 per cent of the crop has been sold in unusually heavy early buying Some 15 million pounds of leaf were bought by two manufacturers in three days' building.

Other estimated acreages, yields per acre and total production of major crops in Pennsylvania are:

Corn, 1,281,000 acres, 56 bu an acre, 71,736,000 bushels.

Wheat, 577,000 acres, 27 bu an acre, 15,579,000 bushels

Oats, 761,000 acres, 38 bu an acre, 28,918,000 bushels.

Barley, 225,000 acres, 38 bu an acre, 8,550,000 bushels

Potaties, 46,700 acres, 165 cwt an acre, 7,706,000 cwt

Apples, 4,590,000 bushels.

National burley tobacco production is estimated at 494 million pounds, five per cent above average.

All types of tobacco totaled 2,145,000,000 lbs. This is fractionally above the national average, but below last years figures. Flue cured, estimated at 1,410,000,000 lbs, is five per cent below 1955 but still is the third largest flue-cured crop ever harvested.

NO PENALTY

Agriclture Secretary Benson said that farmers who violated 1956 soil bank contracts through "misunderstanding" would not be subjected to penalty payments. Most of those involved are in Iowa and Nebraska.

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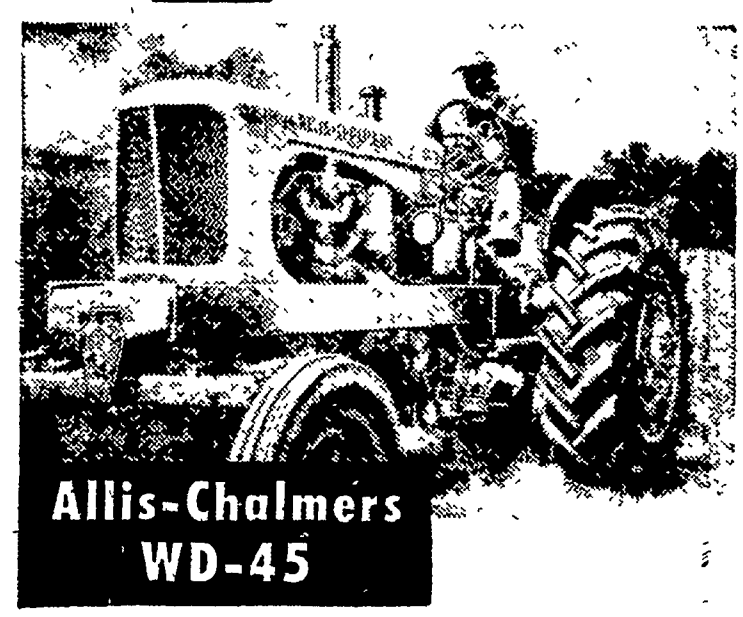

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Dear Editor: I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says "If you see it in **The Sun**, it's so." Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?

Virginia O'Hanlon
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Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. No body can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view the picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

— From the New York Sun of September 21, 1897.

CHRISTMAS TIME

Year by Year, Christmas rolls around more early. Santa Claus even arrived in Lancaster a week before the Thanksgiving turkey had been carved.

It's a luxurious time, when the weather turns cold, when snows fall, the holly wreaths and Christmas tree decorations are pulled from storage and put in place.

Christmas eve on the farm was fun. There was no fireplace to accommodate Santa Claus; but he very accommodatingly — somehow — used the oven of the coal-wood stove in the kitchen.

Next morning, the stockings, hung so carefully and hopefully the night before, were filled, from an orange in the toe to a candy cane curving out the top. Pop, he didn't fare so well, proving that Santa Claus' visit was for the youngsters only. Kris Kringle filled dad's sock, but with a stick of stove wood from the nearby woodbox.

Already the Christmas season has started, and one of the most commendable moves by ministers in Lancaster County churches has been the appeal to keep CHRIST in CHRISTmas. Too much commercialism, too much rush, but make a thought for the day, a thought for the season: Christmas is based on the church, the church is based on Christmas.

Keep the spirit of Christmas holy.

This Week in Lancaster Farming

By JACK REICHARD

50 YEARS AGO (1906)

It was a great day for the Amish at their Lancaster Meeting House, near Morgantown, that December day in 1906, when more than 200 persons gathered for the wedding of Henry Kurtz, Conestoga, and Miss Eva Kauffman, of Kinzers. The ceremony performed by Bishop Gideon Stoltzfus lasted two hours. Bishop Stolzfus delivered his sermon on the duties, responsibilities and obligations of the married state. The couple were attended by Rufus Plank and Levi Kurtz. Bridesmaids were Miss Lydia Kauffman and Miss Barbara Kurtz. Following the ceremony a reception was held.

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SON THOUGHT DEAD COMES HOME

Fifty years ago brought a happy Christmas Day for the McGill family, near Kenosha, Wis. William McGill, who had been missing 25 years, and who was supposed to have been dead for 18 years, walked into the home of his aged parents a few days before Christmas. McGill, 45, had announced he was going west of the Mississippi River when he left his home in 1881, and seven years later a traveler brought word that he had died. But McGill had prospered during his absence and made elaborate arrangements to entertain all his relatives with a coming home dinner at the old farm homestead, in 1906. The parents were almost prostrated with joy over their son's return.

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CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS KILLED BY TRAIN

William and Henry Munger, twin brothers, aged 37, were instantly killed when struck by a Grand Trunk freight train while walking along the tracks, near Vicksburg, Mich., with their arms filled with Christmas presents on their return trip home. A strong wind was blowing that evening and the men apparently did not hear the approaching train.

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R. D. CARRIERS REMEMBERED

Christmas giving a half century ago included rural mail carriers. Carriers in general reported being remembered with great loads of good things to eat and generous supplies of cigars. Farmers had prospered in 1906, and it was evident that they wished to share their good fortune among those who had faithfully served them througout the year over bad roads and in all kinds of weather.

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R. R. OFFICIAL RUNS "SANTA CLAUS" SPECIAL

H. K. McHarg, who had sold his Virginia & Southwestern Railroad, remembered all his former officials and employees in a unique way. He ran a "Santa Claus" special train over the entire length of the line, with Santa as conductor. To each employee in the company's service for one year a month's salary was given as a Christmas gift. To top officials of the road McHarg presented a year's salary. The gifts alone amounted to more than $50,000.

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CHRISTMAS AT THE WHITE HOUSE

President and Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt had as their only guests at their Christmas dinner in 1906, Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. The doors leading into the state dining room and the red and blue rooms were thrown open for the Roosevelt children to make merry. A detatchment of 20 members of the U S. Marine Band furnished music for the occasion.

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New York market quotations on turkeys in 1906 were: Live, 15 cents; dressed, 16 cents.

25 Years Ago

One of the most ironical incidents reported during the 1931 Christmas season, occurred on a farm near Colorado Springs, Colo., when P. D. Kessler, determined that his seven-year-old daughter, Jean, should not lose faith in Santa Claus, decided to actually slide down the family chimney with a pack on his back that Christmas eve. He wasn't quite certain, however, that the chimney was large enough and decided on a trial Saturday night before Christmas Day. The inevitable thing happened. He got stuck. Mrs. Kessler climbed up on the roof to help her husband. She couldn't budge him. She then called in neighbors. They couldn't pull him out either, so they tore down the chimney. Kessler, upon his release, rubbing bruised knees and elbows, climbed down from the roof fully convinced that when it came time for Santa he would have to enter the Kessler ranch by way of the door.

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BARN BURNS AT ANDREWS BRIDGE

Monday, December 21, 1931, was an unfortunate day for the Lindsay Shuler family, of Andrews Bridge, when their double-decker barn was destroyed by fire. At the time the fire broke out a fodder shredding rig was in operation outside the barn blowing roughage into the barn mow The Oxford Fire Co. was called but when the firemen arrived they were handicapped for lack of water. The stock was saved but crops and machinery were completely destroyed.

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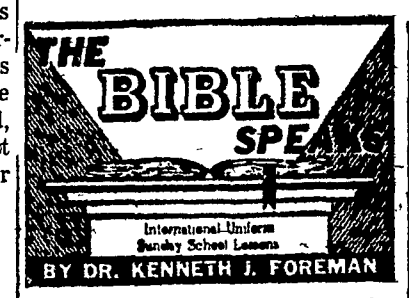
Clarence Middleton, taxicab operator of Coatesville was struck over the head by a passenger who then attempted to rob him, near Thorndale. During the tussle the door flew open and Middleton fell out. He was later picked up and taken to Downingtown The thug drove away in Middleton's car.

BUSINESS EXPANSION

Corporations have invested a record $7,500,000,000 in new plants and equipment so far this year, financing most of it — some $6,600,000,000 — from retained earnings, according to a report of the Securities and Exchange Commission.



Background Scriptures: John 1:1-18; Luke 2:1-20.
Devotional Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7.

When God Came

Lesson for December 23, 1956

ONCE upon a time, so runs a modern legend, there came a rumor to the ears of all the angels that God himself was going to visit a district in his dominions known as the Earth. Some of the angels had never before heard of the place, but others had been on errands thither, and in its affairs. So there was much talk and many opinions, for it is with angels as with men, that not being possessed of infinite wisdom, they do not all see eye to eye.

Dr. Foreman

Why Should God Come to Earth?

"The earth is too small," said one angel. "I have seen the place and it could be lost in a corner of heaven. Why should the Almighty trouble himself about the place?"

"It is more than small," said another angel. "It is wicked."

"What is 'wicked'"? said an angel who had never seen sin.

"It is hard to explain," said the wiser angel. "You will not believe me, but there are beings on that place called Earth who do not our Lord's will. They do not even wish to do it. Some there are who doubt even that he exists. And some hate him and call him stupid and cruel."

"I do not believe it," said the young angel."

"It is true none the less," said the older one.

"Then the Lord will descend in flame and destroy that evil place," said the young angel. "Amen," said many others together.

"It has come to my ears," said one who had not spoken, "that this visit is not in wrath but in mercy. God is going to win back to himself those who have rebelled."

"But how shall he do this?" came the chorus. "He has tried before, these many times," said one who remembered. He has sent messages by us his angels; he has spoken by poets and preachers and heroes and saints. He has shown men what is good, and if men will not believe Moses and the prophets, would they listen to the voice of the very God?".

How Shall the Most High Come to Man?

"And if he came in his infinite glory, how would they endure the sight?" asked another. "Angels veil their faces before him; how shall sinful man look upon the face of God and live?"

"I have heard," said one, "that he is to go as a man. I do not know how this can be, but this I have heard."

"What manner of man?" said some. "And how will he come?" asked others. One spoke: "Surely he will be born in a king's palace. Men find it not easy to believe, at best If God appears in lower than the highest human place, there will be none to believe it is He. If they cannot bow to him as a man they will never kneel to him as God."

"Nay," said another angel, "men are oppressed by their kings If he comes from a royal place they will take him for another tyrant. What men respect is wisdom. He must be born to learning, he must be acquainted with all the books wise men have written, he must be a son of the schools, a philosopher."

"Not so," said others. "Scholars are tedious to most people. Human beings are like children. If God is to have their eye and ear he must win them by amazement. Let him drop from a golden cloud at dawn, let him work almighty miracles, let him turn stones into bread and sand into silver. Let him be richest of men, dispensing wealth to all. Then they may believe."

The Word Became Flesh

But God, who had not sought counsel of his angels, took his own strange way. He came not in a golden cloud but in darkness with only a star for light. He came not to palace or university but to a woman untaught, unknown; not to a home of wealth but to a couple so poor they could not pay for a room in a village. He summoned no crowds to witness his coming. If certain poor shepherds heard of it, and if a few wise men from a far land came to see, it was not the mother who told the news. There are many doors into human life, and some of them are deep in shadows And what the angels did not know, the Lord on High knew: that men who live in a darkened world would never be saved by a God who feared to walk in shadowed ways.

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Restaurants Report Increasing Use of Frozen Food Items

WASHINGTON — (USDA) — Restaurants purchased a larger share of fruits and vegetables in frozen form than the national average for the same commodities, according to a recent sample survey of 462 restaurants conducted by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Department researchers found that 31 per cent of the vegetables purchased by these restaurants was in frozen form, 38 per cent was canned, and 31 per cent fresh. A relatively large number of the sample restaurants, however, used only a few of the major vegetables in any form. Often restaurants specializing in seafood or steak serve a limited selection of vegetables such as french-fried potatoes and coleslaw. There appears to be more competition between fresh and frozen vegetables than between canned and frozen vegetables, according to this report.

For four fruits, purchases were about equally divided among frozen, fresh, and canned. Restaurants use about six per cent of the total frozen fruit pack. Restaurants purchase more apples fresh, more cherries and strawberries frozen, and more peaches canned. About 71 per cent of the orange juice served in restaurants was purchased in frozen form.

BUILDING RECORD

In the first nine months of 1956, a total of $32,700,000,000 worth of construction had been put in place This was a gain of $697 million compared to the corresponding period last year, and a record for the nine month period.

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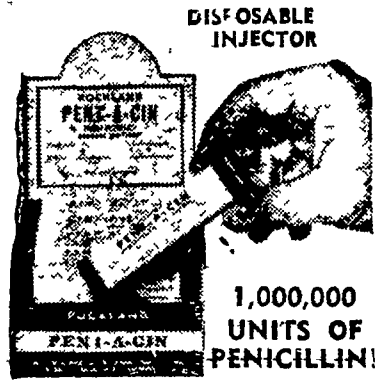

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World Farm Production

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1955-56, largely owing to slight declines in Western Europe and Australia.

In its annual report, "World Agricultural Situation, 1956-57", the Department said the outstanding features of global agricultural production this season are:

1. Record crops of rice, corn, sugar and tobacco.

2. Generally high European production despite last winter's freeze.

3. A 10-per cent increase in total Soviet crop production resulting from favorable weather in newly developed areas east of the Volga and Urals

Carry-Over Stocks: Record stocks of some of the more staple products, such as wheat, corn, cotton, and tobacco, were carried over into the current marketing year and substantially augment supplies from the all-time high 1956-57 outturn. Stocks of staple products may level off or be reduced during the current season, however, as some stocks did in 1955-56 because of improved food consumption and high industrial activity. World cotton stocks may be reduced by 1 million to 2 million bales, and wheat consumption may approximate this year's production, resulting in only slight damage in carry-over supplies.

Rice supplies which appeared burdensome in early 1956, were almost completely sold out by the beginning of the new crop year, and the outlook is good for moving exportable rice in 1956-57. Stocks of dairy products, wool, fats and oils, beans, and grass and legume seeds have also been reduced significantly and are at about normal world trade requirements.

Prices: Prices of most farm products remained relatively stable in 1956. Reduction in world cotton prices during 1955-56 has encouraged consumption of cotton textiles, discouraged substitution of synthetics, and markedly increased world trade in cotton. As a result, world cotton prices firmed during late 1956. Prices of most other commodities became stable or advanced slightly in 1956 despite record supplies available, either because of high demand, or the world-wide tendency of governments to protect prices of their domestically - produced commodities.

World Trade: Movement of agricultural products into world trade, which has increased faster than agricultural production since 1951-52, should be greater in volume in 1956-57 than the previous year if sufficient ocean shipping is available.

United States cotton exports are increasing rapidly following the sharp decline in 1955-56 when prices were maintained above world levels Poor wheat crops in Europe are likely to result in increased European wheat imports, and some countries are building up wheat reserves to stabilize prices. The upward trend in world trade in fats, oils and oilseeds is likely to continue with expanded production. Some increase in world trade in rice, sugar, wool, meat and dairy products also is likely.

Trends in Agricultural Production: In the early postwar years agricultural production in nearly all regions increased faster than population, but in more recent years the upward trend has been no faster, or even less rapid than the population increase. In Europe, for example, production has shown little or no change in the last three years, and per-capita production has dropped slightly. In the Far East per capita production increased until 1953, but in the last three years has remained at 95 per cent of prewar despite intensive agricultural development programs in several of the larger agricultural producing countries.

In Latin American countries, other than Argentina, per capita production has been maintained at levels slightly above prewar since 1954 but has only kept pace with the growth in population.

On the other hand several areas still are making gains in farm production. In Western Asia agricultural output continues to make rapid gains despite lower Turkish production, and New Zealand's outturn continues to expand faster than population. In the latter country even further expansion is planned. Production is outstripping population in many African countries, and there is continued production increase in Canada, Australia and the United States.

2 Schutt Guernseys Complete Records For Advance Registry

PETERBOROUGH, N. H. — Harold Schutt, Chadds Ford, Pa., is the owner of two registered Guernseys that have recently completed official production records in the Advanced Registry division of the American Guernsey Cattle Club.

Spar Hill Ginger, a senior four year-old, produced 10,202 lbs. of milk and 587 lbs. of fat in 305 days. She was milked two times daily This production represents approximately 4850 quarts of high-quality milk. She met calving requirements.

Free Congressional cruises cost $22,154 in 1955

Laying Tests Are Improved

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ing begins with random selection of eggs from each of only 48 entries chosen in order application from poultry breeders and hatcherymen. Applications for entry blanks are being received by the Department. The forms will be mailed January 15 and entries close on February 15. An entry fee of $100 is charged to cover feeding and other costs. Up to 75 per cent of the pens available will be reserved for Pennsylvania breeders.

Eggs in each entry are to be picked at random March 25-27 and placed in incubators at the Pennsylvania State University When hatched, the chicks will be sent to a commercial poultry farm for brooding and rearing under practical conditions of environment and management When the birds are 150 days old, 50 pullets from each entry will be brought to Harrisburg where they will be kept under close observation until 500 days old The number and weight of eggs will be recorded along with health and other factors designed to give the Department and breeders all information desired.

FIRE LOSS

The nation faces an estimated loss of $900 million from fires by the end of the year, according to the National Board of Fire Underwriters. The estimate is based on a 10 per cent increase to date over the loss of last year, which totaled $885 million. During the first eight months of 1956, the national loss was $661,000,000.

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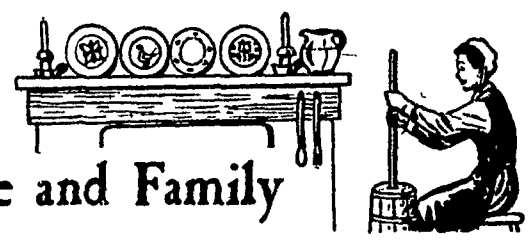

For the Farm Wife and Family

In case some of you ladies have a few spare minutes in which to do some baking yet for Christmas we have a few last minute recipes for cookies and candies. Here are some candy recipes enclosed in a letter from Mrs. Jacob E. King, Box 210, Gordonville. She says:

I enjoyed the Lancaster Farming very much and especially the recipes. I enjoy making them and had good luck with everything I tried. I tried Mrs. V. Roscoe Carter's cake and it was very nice. And also the yellow angel food cake. I will enclose a check for another year and also a few candy recipes for the holidays.

CARMEL CANDY

Mrs. Jacob E. King, Box 210, Gordonville

Two pounds light brown sugar
One and one-half cups red label Karo
One can Eagle Brand sweet milk
One cup sweet cream
Two ounces butter
One teaspoon vanilla

Boil till it forms a soft ball in cold water or as hard as you want. Pour in a buttered pan and cut in squares. Wrap in waxed paper.

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COCONUT CANDY

Mrs. Jacob E. King,

Box 210, Gordonville

One coconut shedded with the skin

Boil together until hard:

Two cups light brown sugar
Four tablespoons light molasses
Butter size of an egg
One-half tumbler coconut water

Then put in shredded coconut. Boil again and keep stirring till done—boil pretty good. Pour in dish and when cold slice. Roll in granulated sugar.

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CORRECTION

Mrs. R. R. Snader, R3 Ephrata says:

In the October 5 paper the recipe I sent for Lemon Shake should include three cups chilled buttermilk.

Whether this was my mistake or the editor's I cannot tell, but feel a correction would be in place. Thank you.

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From Lititz comes a letter with two recipes included — one for cookies and one for a cake.

CINNAMON CAKE

Mrs. B. S. Eberly, R1 Lititz

Two cups brown sugar
One-half cup butter
Two and one-half cups flour
One cup sour milk
One teaspoon soda
One teaspoon baking powder
Two teaspoons cinnamon
One teaspoon nutmeg
One teaspoon cloves
Two eggs

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WALNUT COOKIES

Mrs. B. S. Eberly, R1 Lititz

One cup butter
Two cups brown sugar
Two eggs
One teaspoon vanilla
One teaspoon soda
One teaspoon cream of tartar
One cup nuts
Three cups flour

Mix and make in loaf and wrap in a cloth. Let stand over night. Cut in thin slices and bake in hot oven.

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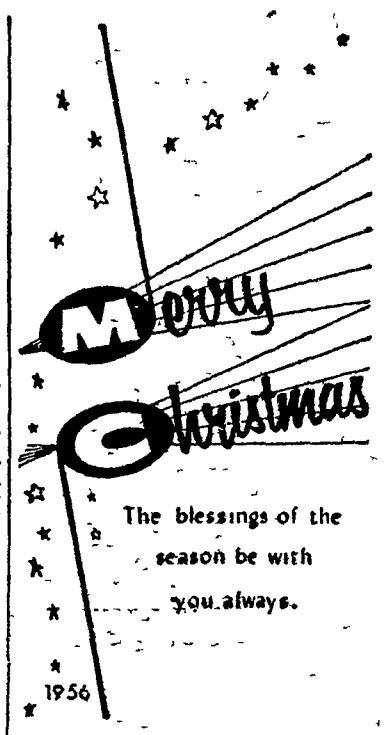
Many of you will be roasting turkeys for Christmas dinner. One of our readers from R1 New Holland sends in a suggestion as to what to do with the fat of your roast. She says:

I enjoy reading your paper especially the receipts. I want to give a hint of how to use the fat of the roast you make for the holidays. Fry the fat slowly and use the oil for baking chiffon cakes instead of Wesson or salad oil.



I am also sending a receipt for

BANANA CHIFFON CAKE

Sift together:

Two and one-fourth cups sifted Softasilk flour
One and one-half cups sugar
Three teaspoons baking powder
One teaspoon salt

Make a "well" and add in order:

One-half cooking (salad) oil
Five eggs yolks unbeaten
One-third cup cold water
One cup mashed ripe bananas
One teaspoon vanilla

Beat until smooth. Then measure into large mixing bowl and beat until very stiff one cup egg whites and one-half teaspoon cream of tartar.

Pour egg yolk mixture in thin stream over entire surface of egg whites, gently cutting and folding in with rubber spatula until completely blended. Pour into ungreased 10-inch tube pan. Bake at 325 degrees for 55 minutes, then 350 degrees for 10 to 15 minutes or until surface springs back when lightly touched.

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This reader, who wishes to remain anonymous, also sends along a recipe for Pork and Beans to can.

She also says "I have tried some of your receipts with success and want to try more."

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PORK AND BEANS

Eight pounds beans — soak over night then cook till soft
One and one-half pounds bacon, ham or hot dogs cut fine
One-fourth pound salt
Four and one-half quarts tomato juice
One pound brown sugar
One cup molasses
One-half teaspoon black pepper
One teaspoon cinnamon

Mix all together. Cook a few minutes and put in jars. Cook one and one-half or two hours. This makes 14 quarts

From the mail bag:

Am sorry we neglected to send you the money for the Lancaster Farming. We enjoy it very much. I tried a few recipes and found them very good. Yours truly, Mrs. Amos Roland, R1 Manheim.

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A few facts about cheese

Many food nutrients are found in a small package of cheese.

A package contains protein of the best quality, calcium, and riboflavin (vitamin B2). Cheese made from whole milk rather than skimmed milk contains vitamin A.

Cheese is a highly digestible food and provides a concentrated form of energy. A package of cheese yields little or no waste.

With all these advantages, use cheese often. The most important rule in cheese cookery is to use a moderately low heat. Too much heat will cause cheese to become tough and stringy, so bake cheese dishes at 300 to 350 degrees. When using a surface burner, keep heat low or use a double boiler.

Cheese keeps best when stored in the refrigerator. Keep in a covered container or wrap in wax paper, aluminum foil, or a plastic bag. Should cheese dry out, it may be grated. If cheese becomes moldy, cut off the mold and the rest of the cheese will still be wholesome.

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Here is a recipe for fragrant doughnut balls that are easy to make and can be frozen.

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SPICY BUTTERNUT BALLS

Three and one-half cups flour
Four teaspoons baking powder

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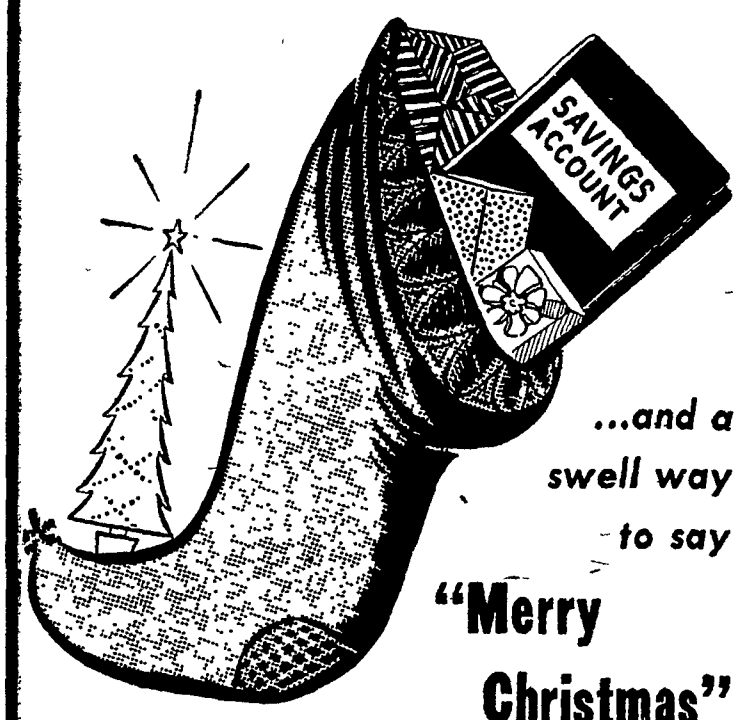

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One-half teaspoon soda
One teaspoon salt
Three-fourth cup sugar
Two eggs
Three tablespoons melted butter
One-fourth cup milk
One cup apple butter
One-half cup minced nutmeats

Sift together flour, baking powder, soda, salt, and sugar. Add nutmeats and mix well. Beat eggs slightly, combine with melted butter, milk, and apple butter. Add liquid ingredients to dry mixture, mixing only enough to moisten dry ingredients. Drop slightly rounded teaspoons of the batter into hot deep fat (370 degrees F.) and fry to a golden brown. Balls may be rolled in sifted confectioners' sugar or a cinnamon-sugar mixture if desired.

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This is the time of the year for oysters and one of our readers has sent us a recipe for Deviled Oysters. She says in her letter:

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I enjoy reading your paper very much. As the holidays are coming, here are a few recipes I use quite often.

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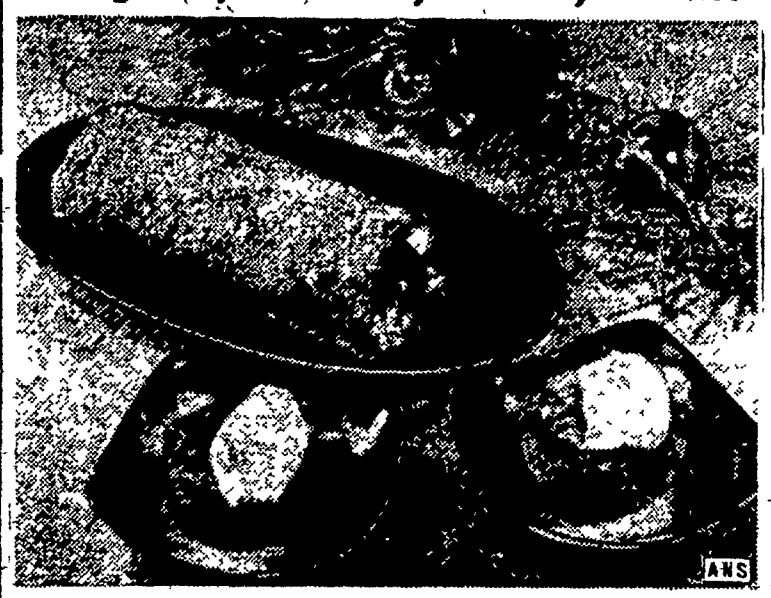
DEVILED OYSTERS
Mrs. John H. Bonholtzer, R4 Lancaster

25 medium-sized oysters
Bunch celery and parsley
One onion
One cup bread crumbs
Two or three hard boiled eggs
Pepper and salt

Put all the oysters, celery, parsley and onion through the food chopper, then add one cup of bread crumbs, two or three hard boiled eggs cut fine, pepper and salt to taste. Put in greased clam or oyster shells; put bread crumbs and a dot of butter on top of each. Bake one-half hour or until brown. If they seem dry add a little oyster liquid Makes 12 deviled oysters.

Designed for the Busy Holiday Hostess



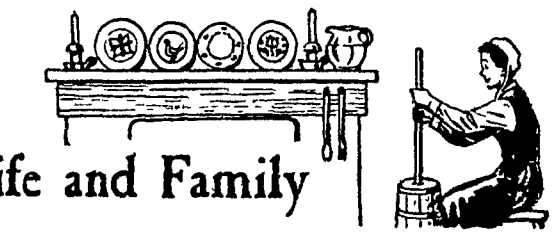
AN ELEGANT DESSERT FOR A HOLIDAY BUFFET is this Date Cream Roll—a delectable concoction made with whipped cream, marshmallows, honey, dates, nutmeats and crisp oven-toasted rice cereal. But for all of its elegance, this dessert has a practical appeal for the busy hostess since it can be made ahead of time and chilled in the refrigerator until needed. When ready to serve, slice and top with whipped cream.

DATE CREAM ROLL

1½ cups whipping cream
8 marshmallows
¼ cup honey
½ cup chopped dates
¼ cup chopped nutmeats
3½ cups Rice Krispies

Whip 1 cup of cream until stiff. Cut marshmallows into small pieces. Fold marshmallows, honey, dates and nutmeats into whipped cream. Crush Rice Krispies into fine crumbs. Add 1 cup crumbs to cream mixture; blend well. Spread remaining crumbs evenly on a piece of waxed paper and place cream mixture on top. Mold into roll, coating with crumbs. Wrap in wax paper; chill for several hours. Slice and serve garnished with remaining cream, whipped. This recipe makes 10 servings. This is a special recipe from the kitchens of the Kellogg Co. of Battle Creek, Mich.

For the Farm Wife and Family



SWEET POTATO PATTIES
Mrs. John H. Bonholtzer, R4 Lancaster

Two cups mashed sweet potatoes
One teaspoon salt
One-fourth teaspoon pepper
Two tablespoons water
One cup bread crumbs

Combine the above ingredients. Shape into oblong patties, roll in bread crumbs. Deep fry in cooking oil until brown.

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I suppose cookies are the rule of the day now but if and when you begin tiring of them why not try something different in the cake line such as

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POTATO AND NUT CAKE
Mrs. Nelson Shue, R3 Lititz

One cup butter or shortening
One medium sized potato (cooked and mashed)
Two cups granulated sugar
Four egg yolks
One cup raisins (cooked and drained well)
One-fourth cup cocoa
Two cups sifted flour
One cup chopped nuts
Two teaspoons baking soda
A little salt
Vanilla

Combine flour, salt, soda and cocoa. Beat egg whites stiff and add last. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes.

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Mrs. Shue says in her letter: I received my farm paper and enjoy reading it and the recipes. I like to try new recipes. I am sending a few for the readers.

* * *

Here is her recipe for

CHOCOLATE FUDGE CAKE
Mrs. Nelson Shue, R3 Lititz

Two cups flour (Swans Down)
One cup butter
One teaspoon baking soda
Salt
One teaspoon vanilla
Two cups granulated sugar
One cup sour milk
Three squares B. chocolate
Four egg yolks

Combine flour, soda, salt. Beat egg whites stiff and add last. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

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We haven't had any pie recipes yet today so let's try a lemon pie This is enclosed in a letter from a reader who does not want her name mentioned. She says.

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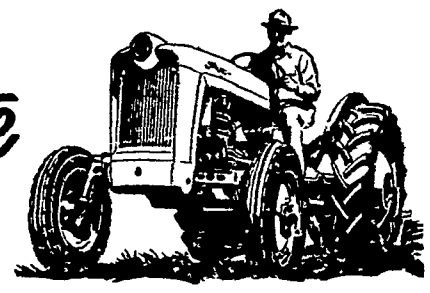

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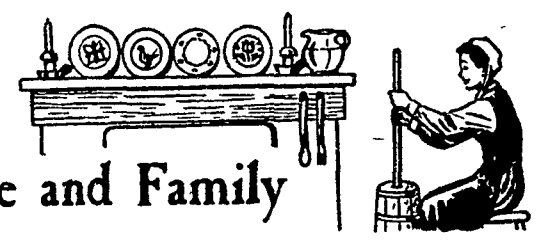

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Here are a few recipes I saw wanted in your paper. The Lemon Pie my Grandmother used to make every week when she baked 18 to 20 pies a week for her family. My mother and I use the same.

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Now may I ask for a recipe to make red candied apples like you buy at the Farm Show.

(Please do not use my name in my recipe. God bless you.)

* * *

Well, God bless you too, dear reader, for this nice letter and I hope someone will send in a recipe for red candied applies.

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LEMON PIE

One lemon grated rind and juice
Two cups sugar
Two cups water — one hot and one cold
One egg
One tablespoon flour
Small amount bread crumbs

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This reader also includes a recipe for Clam cakes.

CLAM CAKES

Two cups bread crumbs
12 clams
Eight potatoes boiled and cold
Eight hardboiled eggs
Five onions
Salt, pepper, parsley and celery to taste. Mix and grind all together with food chopper. Mix with broth.

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Guess the time has come to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and hope that the day will bring you the best of everything. In all the hustle and bustle don't forget the real meaning of Christmas. Until next week — MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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Farm Women's Society News

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Farm Society 18 Gives $10 to Funds

Ten dollars has been donated to the Charles Broich and Clarence Weider funds by Farm Women Society 18. The Crispus Attucks center will receive food from the women.

Mrs. Sterling Elmer and Mrs. Lloyd Moore were named delegates to the state convention to be held Jan. 14 in Harrisburg at Saturdays meeting held in the home of Mrs. Moore on Eden Road. Mrs. Kenneth Brubaker is alternate.

Delegates for the morning session Jan. 15 are Mrs. Raymond Stoner and Mrs. T. Hershey Rohrer with Mrs. Edward Wissler as alternate.

Colored slides of Heart Haven were shown by Mrs. Charles C. Straley of the Heart Haven Auxillary.

Roll call was answered by naming Christmas Carols Mrs. Howard Moore was a guest and Mrs. John Henry Hess read the devotions.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Jay E. Landis, 122 Hershey Ave.

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Farm Women 14 Have 100 Guests at Party

More than 100 persons attended the annual family night Christmas party of Farm Women Society 14 at Strassburg Fire House Dec 14

Entertainment was provided bythe Prim Singers of Harrisburg and Santa Claus distributed gifts to the children.

The next meeting of the society will be held Wednesday, Jan 9, at the home of Mrs. Melvin Stoltfus, R1 Ronks, with Mrs Aaron Shirk and Mrs Arthur Groff as co-hostesses

The White House has named Bertram D. Tallamy, chairman of the New York Thruway Authority, to be the Federal Highway Administrator in charge of the new $33 billion highway-construction program

Best Project Work Wins Top 4-H Awards

Two young Pennsylvanians, Elaine Anderson of Mercer and Paul Hartle of Bellefonte, both 18, won state honors for outstanding work on their 4-H projects.

Elaine Anderson

Paul Hartle

Elaine participated in the 4-H Dress Revue program. The judges based their decision on her poise, her outfit and its construction. Her award was an expense-paid trip provided by Simplicity Pattern Co to the National 4-H Club Congress held in Chicago, Nov. 25-29.

Elaine's costume, which she modeled in Chicago, is an olive green sheath dress of acetate and rayon, accented by a printed bodice attached to an empire waistline. The jacket is lined with the bodice material, a dotted beige pongee

For accessories she chose brown shoes, a beige hat, gloves, and purse, and gold earrings

Carrying out the objectives of the 4-H Meat Animal program won Paul's honors He received a handsome watch appropriately inscribed from Thomas E. Wilson, who has supported 4-H work for 27 years

Paul raised a total of 36 lambs and 16 pigs, besides 14 ewes and seven lambs in his breeding project He exhibited lambs nearly a hundred times, and pigs more than 50 times. He also demonstrated lamb and pig fitting, winning 11 top awards

Paul is a veteran speaker, having appeared on radio 32 times in addition to giving many local 4-H talks Now in his ninth year of 4-H work, he is past president of his local and county Clubs and is a junior leader.

These programs are conducted under the direction of the Cooperative Extension Service.

Farm Women 3 Have Santa at Party

Santa Claus came to the Christmas party of Farm Women Society 3 Dec. 15. He gave each child a gift and distributed presents brought by each member for the gift exchange. Uncle Charley Moser, Lancaster, entertained by doing various feats of magic.

Twenty-five dollars was given to the polio fund.

A Pyrex casserole in a brass stand was given to 19 members with perfect attendance for the year. They are: Mrs. Mae Bollinger, Mrs. Bertha Burkholder, Mrs. Irene Eberly, Mrs. Dorothy Fry, Mrs. Elva Fogleman, Mrs. Mary Kopp, Mrs. Carrie Lepole, Mrs Pauline Martin, Mrs Florence Mohler.

Mrs. Gladys Paul, Esther Petticoffer, Miss Ada Royer, Miss Mary Royer, Mrs. Elva Shelley, Mrs. Sallie Snyder, Miss Alva Stuber, Mrs. Esther Stuber, Mrs. Margaret Weachter, Mrs. Grace Weidman, Miss Hannah Wissler.

The meeting at Ward's Pine Room was in charge of Mrs. Harold Stuber. Mrs. Mae Bollinger was hostess. Guests were Mrs. Robert Nolt and Mrs. Paul Kauffman.

Canned foods for the Crispus Attucs will be brought to the Jan 19 meeting. Mrs. Bertha Burkholder will be hostess.

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While the average American is eating more meat than ever before—163½ pounds per capita in 1956—he has also been enjoying a higher standard of living. According to the National Live Stock and Meat Board, which is holding its semi-annual meeting in Omaha, an hour of wage-earning time now buys as much or more meat than at any time in recent years.

Figures compiled by the Board show that in 1955 the average American spent 5.1 per cent of his disposable income for meat and consumed 161 pounds of meat. In 1950 he spent 5.8 per cent for meat and consumed 142 pounds In 1930 the percentage of disposable income spent for meat was six per cent and per capita consumption was 127 pounds

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Living Christmas Trees Are Popular Feature for Yule

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The idea of the living Christmas tree has another pleasing development — the living tree for the individual family. The custom is gaining in favor. Well-formed small evergreens "potted" in a tub or cask may be used indoors as Christmas trees and then planted outside following the Christmas season.

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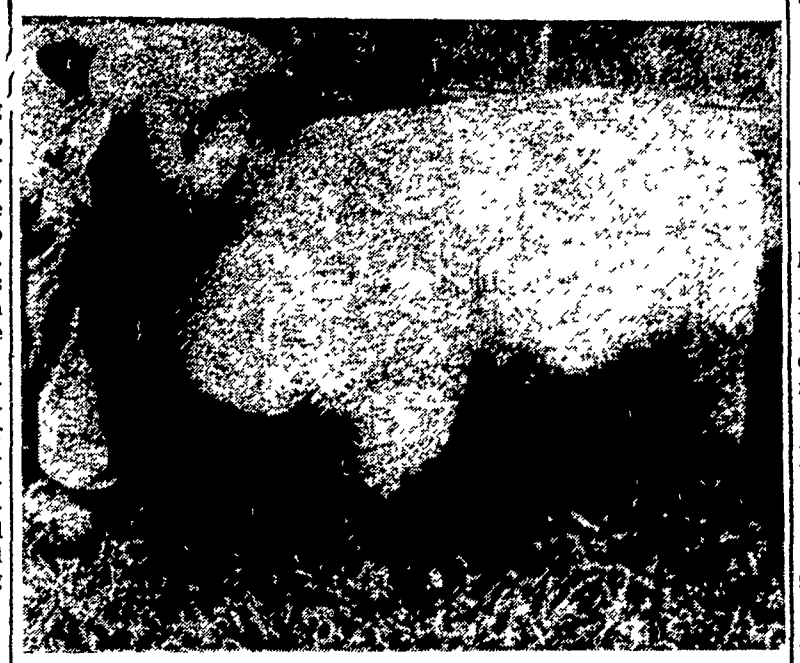

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Secretary of Defense Wilson said military expenditures in the next fiscal year might increase between $1,500,000,000 and $2 billion, or four to six per cent. He also forecast a reduction in the armed forces.

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Q. I recently married a widower who has no children. He owns property and everything he possesses is in his name alone. In case of his death, am I entitled to anything? Also, if we should separate, is he required to support me if I am unable to work? M. P.

A. If your husband predeceases you and you have not forfeited your right to share in his estate you will be entitled to

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As a general rule husbands are required to support their wives. However, if certain circumstances cause the separation, the wife may forfeit her right to support.

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Q My husband and I are separated and he is under a support order and I would like to know at what age he can take my child out for a visit. If there is no set age, would it be up to the probation officer to decide when?

E. W.

A As long as your husband continues to pay you support for the child, he is entitled to visitation rights at regular intervals regardless of the age of the child. If you and your husband cannot reach any agreement on visitation, this dispute would be settled by the court or possibly by the court's domestic relations officer. Your husband also has the alternative of bringing a habeas corpus action against you in order to obtain a judicial determination of his visitation rights.

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Q. How does a person up for indictment go about requesting an appearance before the Grand Jury considering his case? Does it require a Court Order or permission from the prosecuting attorney?

G. W. B

A. Under our Pennsylvania practice, a person charged with an indictable offense is not permitted to appear before the Grand Jury With regard to an indictment, the Grand Jury's sole function is to determine whether the prosecution has a prima facie case against the defendant. In simple language, this means that if all the prosecution's evidence be regarded as true, it must be sufficient to prove the alleged crime. The Grand Jury does not determine guilt or innocence, nor is it concerned with any defense to the charge. Its primary function is to prevent captious and ill-found charges form being prosecuted further.

When the Grand Jury finds a prima facie case, it returns a "True Bill," and the indictment is then referred to the Court and Petit Jury (a jury of twelve) to determine the guilt or innocence of the accused If a prima facie case is not found, the Grand Jury returns "No True Bill" and that is the end of the case.

Corn Entries To Be Judged At Roundup

Ten ear corn samples and completed project record books will be judged Thursday at the Farm Bureau Cooperative to determine the winners of the annual Lancaster County 4-H Corn Club roundup.

Record books must be returned to the county agent's office by Wednesday. All yields should be figured in pounds rather than in bushels The samples of corn must be at the cooperative by 9:30 a.m. the day of the roundup.

During the judging of exhibits a series of educational movies will be shown.

Henry Moon, assistant state 4-H Club leader will assist with the roundup. A potato judging practice is also scheduled during the morning

Church Farm School Gurnsey Completes A.R. Requirements

PETERBOROUGH, N H — A registered Gurnsey cow, Penny Boys Melody of C F S, owned by Church Farm School, Paoli, Pa., has completed an official production record in the Advanced Registry division of the American Guernsey Cattle, Club.

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Jan. 10 — C. E. Keener, one mile north of Lancaster, at intersection of Manheim and Harrisburg pikes (Rts. 72 and 230), machinery and 50 tractors; 11 a m.

Farm Calendar

(If you wish your Coming Events listed in these columns, write a card or letter to LANCASTER FARMING, Quarryville, Pa. Be sure to include name of sender.—Editor).

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JANUARY, 1957

Jan. 14-18, 1957 — Pennsylvania Farm Show Week,, Farm Show Building, Harrisburg, Pa.

Jan. 14-18—Pennsylvania Farm Show, Harrisburg.

Jan. 15, 1957 — Poultry Federation's Annual Farm Show Banquet 6 30 p m. — Penn Harris Hotel, Harrisburg, Pa.

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Production Drop Not Reflected In Egg Prices

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The recent declines indicate that the 12 month output for 1956 may be below the all-time record set last year, the state department of agriculture reports. Production the first 11 months totaled 3.28 billion eggs or 1.6 per cent below the 3.37 billion eggs for the same period last year.

The rate of lay per bird this November was up four per cent from a year ago, but the number of layers was down five per cent to 18,970,000.

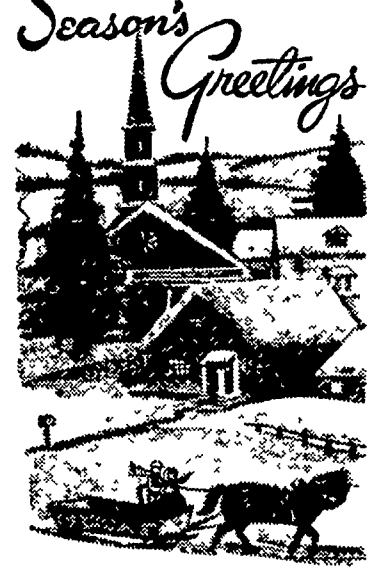
Farmers received an average price of 44 cents a dozen on Nov. 15, a cent below a month ago and 7 cents below a year earlier. It was the lowest mid-November price since 1941.

Live chickens and broilers were down a cent a pound, the average for chickens, 16.5 cents, and broilers, 17.5 cents, being the lowest in 15 years.

Demand for holiday turkeys held November prices for the birds at the October level, producers averaging 35 cents a pound liveweight.

A one per cent drop in feed costs was insufficient to stop declines in the feed purchasing power of most poultry products.

Season's Greetings



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Funeral Held for Arnold M. Groff, 46

Funeral services for Arnold M. Groff, 46, well-known Southern Lancaster County Oldsmobile dealer, were Tuesday afternoon from the Reynolds Funeral Home, Quarryville.

Mr. Groff died Thursday, Dec. 13, in his office. His wife and a daughter, Miss Diane, and two sisters survive. Burial was in the Quarryville Cemetery.

National Yields, Rates Announced For '57 Soil Bank

WASHINGTON — The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced the national average yield figures and dollars and cents payment rates an acre which will apply in administration of the 1957 acreage reserve programs for five basic crops.

As announced Nov. 30, there are no plans to include peanuts or extra long staple cotton in the soil bank acreage reserve next year. The average national yield, national base and average rate for the basic crops are as follows

Wheat, 16 7 bu, $1.20, $20.04
Cotton, 361 lb, 15¢, $54.15
Corn, 47 4 bu., 90¢, $42 66
Rice, 28 08 cwt, $2 25, $63.18
Flue-cured tobacco, 1,419 lb, 18¢, $255.42
Burley tobacco, 1,643 lb, 18¢, $295 74
Fire-cured tobacco, 1,330 lb, 13¢, $172 90
Cigar filler (42-44), 1,615 lb, 9¢, $145 35
Cigar binder (51), 1,772 lb, 19¢, $336 68
Cigar binder (52), 1,919 lb., 18¢, $345.42
Cigar binder (54), 1,570 lb, 8¢, $125.60
Cigar binder (55), 1.518 lb, 11¢, $166 98

For corn, cotton and rice, an average county dollars and cents payment rate will be established for each crop. While the county rates will vary considerably, they will average out to approximately the national rate for the crop.

Relative productivity, distance from markets, and historic local prices will determine the county rate From these county average payment rates for each of the three crops, individual farm per acre rates will be established by the county ASC committee.

For wheat in 1957, the method of determining farm per-acre rates of payment for both winter and spring wheat will be that announced last Aug 13 before winter wheat was planted These rates are based on "normal" crop yield for the land placed in the acreage reserve and the base unit rate applicable for that county

Because the wheat program is so far advanced, no county per-acre rate will be established for this program in 1957. The individual farm rates, however, will in general average-out to approximately the national rate

For tobacco, it will not be necessary to establish county per-acre rates. Accurate farm production information is available for most types of tobacco, and payment rates will be determined farm-by-farm. The Soil Bank yield figure which has already been established for the farm will be multiplied by the applicable national unit rate to get the farm per-acre payment rate.

Each type of tobacco is grown in a relatively restricted area, and the payment rates for individual tobacco farms, as a group, will average-out close to the national per-acre rate

County payment rates for cotton, corn and rice for 1957 will be available soon.

NO GOOD

My girl is a firecracker drinker — no good after the fourth. — The Jester U.S.N.A.S., Patuxent River, Md.

Too Much Rain, Poor Hay Drop Milk Production

HARRISBURG — Effects of poor quality hay and ensilage produced on Pennsylvania farms under handicaps of excessive summer rains were reflected in a downtrend in milk production this November, the State Department of Agriculture said today.

Milk production during November dropped below year-ago levels for the second consecutive month, surveys showed. Output at 462 million lbs was one per cent below November of last year. The number of milk cows at 946,000 remained unchanged from a month earlier.

The decline in milk was most pronounced in western counties where rainfall during the harvest season was heaviest and harvesting of crops exceedingly difficult. Production per cow was down about two per cent from October.

"Informed sources expect the drop in output to go lower and to last throughout the winter," the Department declared.

Record milk production in Pennsylvania during the spring and summer may enable producers to set a new record this year in spite of declines during the last three months of 1956. For the first 11 months, total output was 6,071,000,000 pounds or four per cent above the 5,868,000,000 pounds for the same period last year.

With the sharp drop in temperatures during Thanksgiving week practically all Pennsylvania dairy herds were placed on full winter rations. Many farmers experienced a drop in milk production which they attributed to moldy, over-ripe or rain-damaged hay. Frozen corn silage also shared the blame. A few farmers felt that the lush pastures of the past season were low in feeding value and that condition is now affecting milk production.

Corn pickers were active during November and by December 1 the harvest was complete in some localities. Soft corn continues to be a problem and spoilage in cribs is common. Declining production has shifted a greater proportion of milk to bottled sales and caused some rise in average price received by producers

DEBT AT NEW HIGH

Debt totals, both public and private, are soaring to new highs in the nation this year. It is estimated that the net total of public and private debt owed by the American people will pass the $700 billion mark by the end of the year. This will be a whopping $294 billion more than we owed at the end of World War II. The two largest items of private debt are corporate debt which totals $197 billion and nonfarm mortgage debt, $109 billion

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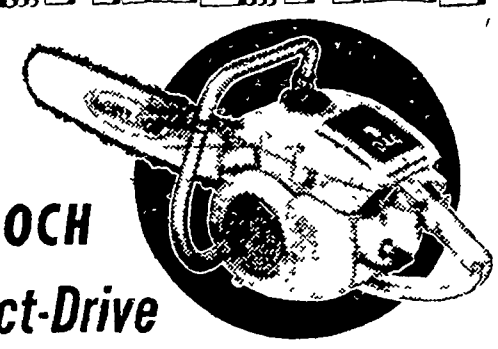

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Turner Ranch Hereford Half Interest $15,000

Sulphur, Okla. — (Special) — — Purebred Hereford breeders from 15 states invested a total of $166,535 in 51 head of Herefords offered in the TR Zato Heir Production Sale at Turner Ranch Dec. 13.

A total of 31 bulls brought $131,935, an average of $4,256. The 20 females led into the auction ring brought a total of $29,600, an average of $1,480. The over-all average for the sale was $3,167.

Half interest in TR Husker Rupert 34, champion Hereford at the American Royal in Kansas City and the Blue Grass Hereford Show at Lexington, Ky., topped the sale on a corporation bid of $15,000. Bids were submitted in behalf of the corporation by Turner and Thornton of Fort Worth and Boerne, Texas; Woody Hereford Ranch of Barnard, Kans.; Hi-Pomt Hereford Farms of Brighton, Mich.; and Bianchi and Sanford of Macon, Mo.

Top individual bull in the sale was TR Zato Heir 569 which brought $20,000 on a final bid by Whif Thompson of Snyder, Texas.

Half interest was sold on TR Royal Zato 98, which brought $12,500 on a bid by Diamond J Ranch of Midlothian, Texas

In the female offering, top animal was TR Zato Heiress 640, a full sister to the top selling heifer in the 1955 Turner sale, which brought $3,000 on a bid by Flying L Ranch of Davis, Okla.

Turner Ranch, consistently high on the list of top sales, is owned by Roy Turner former Governor of Klahoma and managed by Jim McClelland.

Reresenting the American Hereford Association at the sale was Secretary Paul Swaffer of Kansas City and field representative Bill Wright of Fort Worth

VETERANS' DIVIDEND

The Veteran's Admmistration has announced that some 5,350,000 veterans will receive approximately $236 million in dividends on Veterans Administration insurance during 1957. All the payments will be "regular annual dividends, not special dividends." Some 20,000 veterans, holding U. S Government Life Insurance term policies will get their first dividend in 25 years, sharing about $1 million.

March Selected Egg Month, Shift From January

National Egg Month will be held in March instead of January in 1957 and will launch a long-range "Eat Extra Eggs" program for the egg industry, the Poultry and Egg National Board points out in an announcement of plans for making March the greatest egg month of all.

The March campaign will combine spectacular egg promotion effort, nationally and locally, with all-out activity at the "grassroots" in the 48 states to finance intensified egg promotion programs by PENB 'round the calendar.

The financing effort is being built around a voluntary check-off system for egg producers. The check-off will be 10 cents for each case of eggs sold during March.

State Poultry and Egg Board committees will spearhead campaigns encouraging consumers to eat extra eggs and urging producers to participate in the eggs check-off as a practical means of helping themselves and the industry from which they earn their living.

Materials of help in conducting the egg check-off campaign have been developed by the Poultry & Egg National Board and distributed to all state PENB committees.

PENB is now preparing a comprehensive pulicity kit containing information on the "East Extra Eggs" campaign for newspapers and magazines and radio and TV stations. This will be distributed to the state PENB committee by January 28 for their use in March

Food editors of several outstanding magazines and newspaper syndicates have already assured PENB they will cooperate fully in the March publicity for eggs.

Solanco Farmer Sportsman Group To Increase Game

Southern Lancaster County Farmer-Sportsmen's Association plans to increase game for the hunters. At its meeting in Quarryville Firemen's Hall, Monday evening, it was voted to purchase 500 pheasants for stocking purposes. Roy H. Weaver, of Strasburg Township, will grow the pheasants.

The game committee was authorized to purchase turkeys for stocking purposes, up to the sum of $200 The woodlands in the Puseyville area and the river hills were suggested as places in which the turkeys would be placed. Members agreed to furnish feeders and grain for their support.

The auditors' report showed receipts of $1,479 98, and expenditures of $1,003.68, leaving a balance on hand of $478.28. President Robert K. Mowrere thanked the auditors for the complete, itemized account.

Herbert Hambleton gave the secretary's report and John H. Hammon the treasurer's report.

Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 1, at one o'clock, the association will hold a shooting match for hams, on its like grounds. The Boy Scouts will be asked for the use of their building and hot coffee will be served.

The association will give away ten prizes valued at about $500. It is now dues paying time.

Report was given of the recently formed State Park committee, of which Robert H. Mowrer is president, and which will hold monthly meetings in the interest of having a park in the Fishing Creek area.

FARM EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Under the International Farm Youth Exchange program, which is sponsored by 4-H, a total of 125 boys and girls from this country have visited farms in European countries. At the same time, 185 boys and girls from fifty foreign countries have visited families on farms in the United States.

Your Father knoweth what things ye have need of before ye ask Him. — Matthew 6: 8.

Legal Notices

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. ESTATE of Elizabeth L. Harnish, late of City of Lancaster, deceased. Letters Testamentary on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will present them without delay for settlement to the undersigned, Menno H. Harnish, Reuben N. Harnish, RD4, Lanc, Pa; Mary L. Harnish, Lettie L Nissley, Executors Arnold, Bricker, & Beyer, Attorneys.

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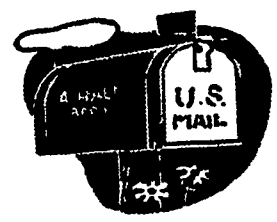

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Friendly Farmer Club Meets Friendly Farmer

The Friendly Farmer's Club met with the Robert Gallagher family Dec 15, 1956 with all families represented except two

The President, Gordon Toot, called the Club to order Minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary and approved

Ira Rutt and James Wood were appointed on the inspection committee. The meeting then adjourned till two o'clock.

A baked ham dinner served by the hostess and helpers followed a social time.

The afternoon session was opened by singing, "Silent Night," after which the Rev. Roy W Townsend read the Christmas story as told in the second chapter of Luke The Rev Townsend also read the last two stanzas of, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," and followed with prayer.

The inspection committee reported everything in fine shape and plenty of feed. Mr Gallagher has two milkhouses. We then had a roll call of 'What I want for Xmas", by which we found out people wanted anything from health to refrigerators. Arthur Brown told the advantages and disadvantages of the Bulk Tank Lois Wood gave a very interesting original poem on the, "Night before Christmas"

RECORD CRIME WAVE

The Federal Bureau of Investigation recently reported that, in the first half of this current year, a major crime was committed every 12.2 seconds, with a murder, man-slaughter, rape or assult to kill every 4.1 minutes. One major crime was committed for each 129 persons in the nation

UNKNOWN SOLDIER TOMB

The first extensive renovation in 36 years is being made on the trophy room and amphitheater adjoining the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The major repair job now in progress, which is estimated to cost $500,000, includes a roof to cover the circular arcade of the marble amphitheater and other general renovations.

The host then introduced Stanley Musselman, the manager of Farmer Relations for the Lancaster County National Bank, Lancaster. He told of his work in connection with farmers. He gave a very good definition of an expert, "the one who knows the answers to all questions but somehow doesn't understand the question."

After singing one verse, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," we adjourned meet with James and Annie Herr Saturday, Jan 26, 1957 in Little Britain Church

Elmer Sensenig Named Director Of Soil District

Elmer Sensenig, R1 New Holland, was named a director of the Lancaster County Soil Conservation District Monday night at a meeting of the board of directors at the courthouse.

He succeeds Lem S. Weist, R1 Ephrata Weist was cited for his contributions to the organization during the past four years he has served.

Re-appointed as commissioner-director was Charles H. Pearce, county commissioner.

Seven new cooperators were approved They are Richard Drager R1 Columbia, 38 acres, Harold Drager, R1 Marietta, 114 acres, Lester C Martin, R1 East Earl, 60 acres.

Martin B Thomas, R3 Lancaster, 72 acres; Fred F Hendess, R1 Gap, 40 acres, Le Roy K. Andrews, R7 Lancaster, 72 acres; and Richard H Witmer, Willow Street Pike, 139 acres

The board will attend the area district meeting of directors at Manheim Central High school Dec. 27. A meeting of associate directors of the Lancaster County unit is scheduled for Jan. 21 at the Farm Bureau Cooperative.

The annual meeting will be held at 7 30 p m Feb. 21 at the Manheim Central High school.

Base Acreage Plan for Corn Loses in Vote

Washington — (USDA) — Preliminary returns from the growers' referendum held December 11 in the 894 "commercial corn" counties indicate that farmers approved an acreage allotment program for 1957 and subsequent corn crops, instead of the alternate base acreage program. Approval by more than one-third of the farmers voting was required for the acreage allotment program; two-thirds or more of those who voted would have had to favor the base acreage program for it to be approved.

A total of 163,227 farmers, or 38.8 per cent of the 421,101 votes reported, favored acreage allotments. A total of 257,874 votes, or 61.2 per cent of those cast, favored base acreages.

"By their vote, farmers have chosen to continue using the acreage allotment program for corn." Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson said in commenting on the referendum results "The decision was properly theirs, and the Department will do everything in its power to administer the program constructively

"There will be serious problems. The national acreage allotment for commercial counties has had to be cut back sharply in recent years, under the formula of the controlling legislation which calls for lower allotments as supplies build up. As a result, many farmers have found that it was not practical for them — within the limits of sound farm management — to reduce their corn crop to the allotment level. Therefore the corn adjustment program has not proved effective in either adjusting production or providing a broad base of price support.

"With the total allotment still smaller for 1957, even though it must cover some 54 more counties than last year, this problem will assume greater proportions And because farmers will have to reduce corn production even below their small allotments in order to take part in the corn Acreage Reserve program, I am afraid many will be shut out of this program opportunity.

"A prompt and searching appraisal of the entire corn situation, and of program relationships, is needed at this time."

November Farm Milk Price Set At $4.83 CWT

NEW YORK, Dec. 11—Dr. J. C Blanford, Market Administrator of the New York metropolitan milk marketing area announced Dec. 11 a uniform price of $4.83 per hundredweight (46 5 quarts) for milk delivered in November to 386 plants in the New York milkshed The uniform price in ctober was $4.55 per hundredweight; in November, 1955, it was $4.33 per hundredweight.

The producer butterfat differential for the month was announced at 5 4 cents for each tenth of a pound of fat above or below the 3 5 per cent standard.

The price was announced three days earlier than usual. This was done with the cooperation of handlers, who submitted their reports two days before the Dec. 10 deadline. the price will enable the han the price will neable the handlers to make payment to the farmers before Christmas.

The production of milk fell below that of last November. However, the consumption of fluid milk in the marketing area — New York City and Nassau, Suffolk and Westchester Counties— reached a new high for the month.

Dairymen delivered 530,114,510 lbs. of milk to pool plants, the administrator said. This was 40,420,984 lbs. fewer than the record high for the month of 570,535,494 lbs. That record was set in November, 1955. The number of producers and the average production per day also fell below the comparable figures of last year. The number of producers dropped from 49,071 last year to 45,891 this year, a decrease of 3,180. The average production per day per dairy was down three pounds from last year's record of 388 lbs. to 385 lbs.

Sales of fluid milk in the marketing area were 1.97 per cent greater than the previous high for the month of November, 1955. Sales this year totaled 272,077,433 lbs., 5,256,342 lbs. more than the 266,821,091 lbs. sold last year.

The farm value of the November milk was $26,299,856.26, Dr. Blanford reported. In 1955, the farm value was $25,480,468.24.

The uniform price of $4.83 per hundredweight will be paid for milk testing 3 5 per cent butterfat and received at plants 201-210 miles from New York City.

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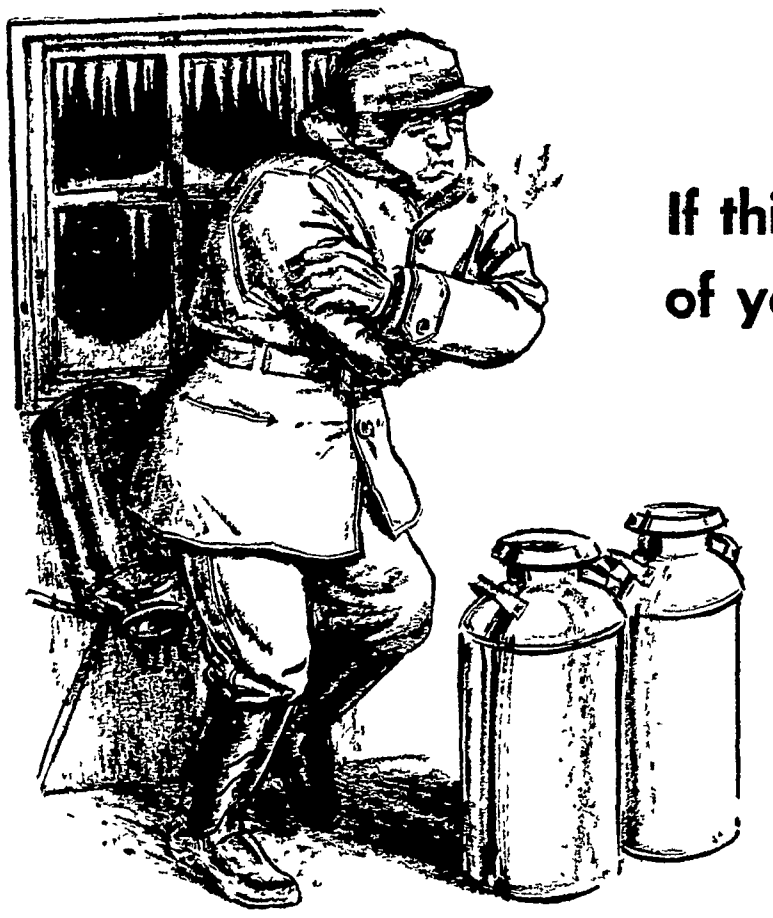

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